

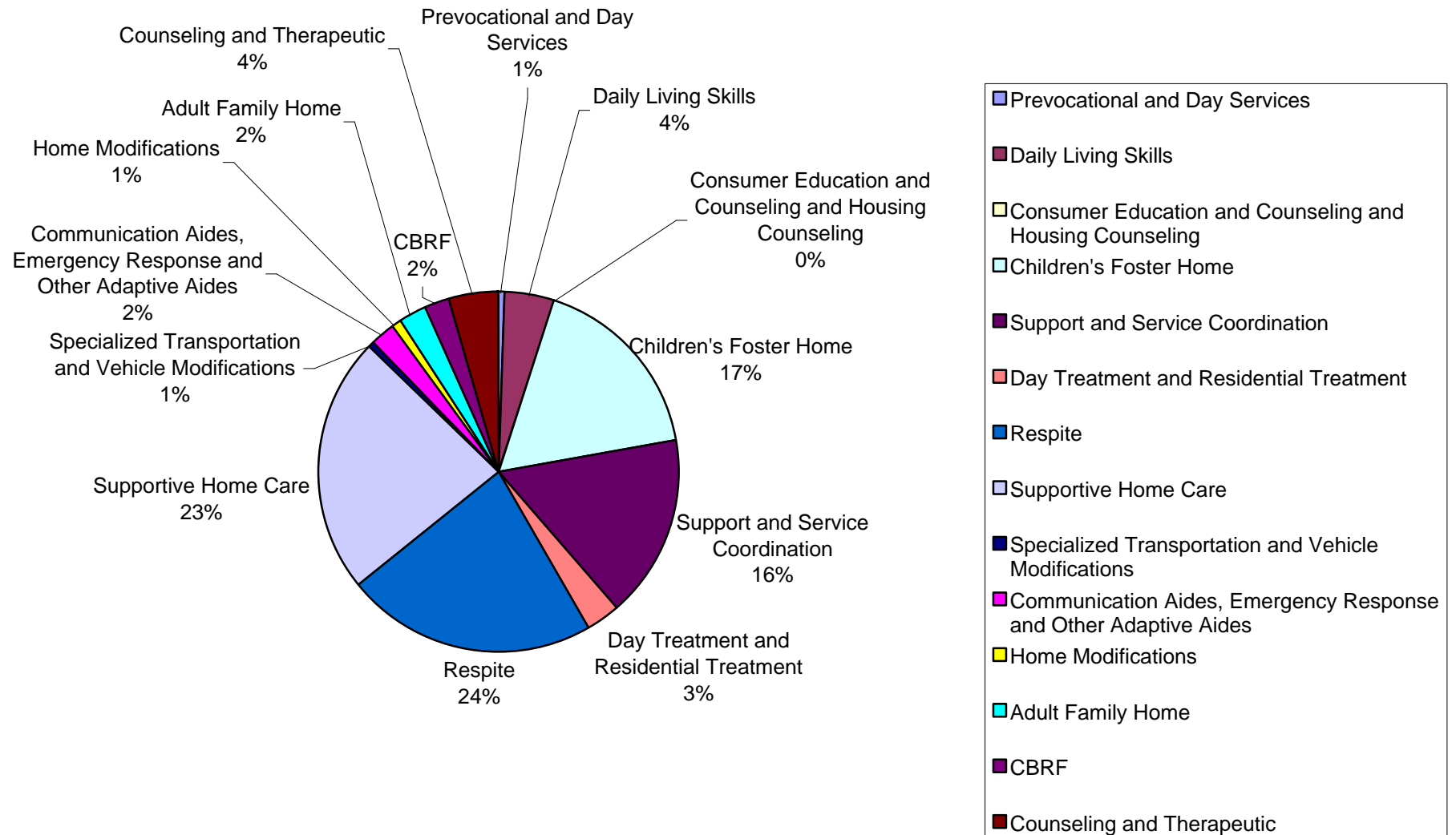
Background on Data Sample - Cost Comparison between Children with Autism and Children with other Disabilities on the Community Integration Program (CIP)

The information summarized on the following pages is based upon children who received waiver services in 2003 from the Community Integration Program, a Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for people with Developmental Disabilities. This data is based upon the actual service types and costs as reported to the Human Services Reporting System (HSRS) by counties. The following selection criteria were used to assure comparison between the two groups and to obtain a true picture of annual costs for a child on the waiver.

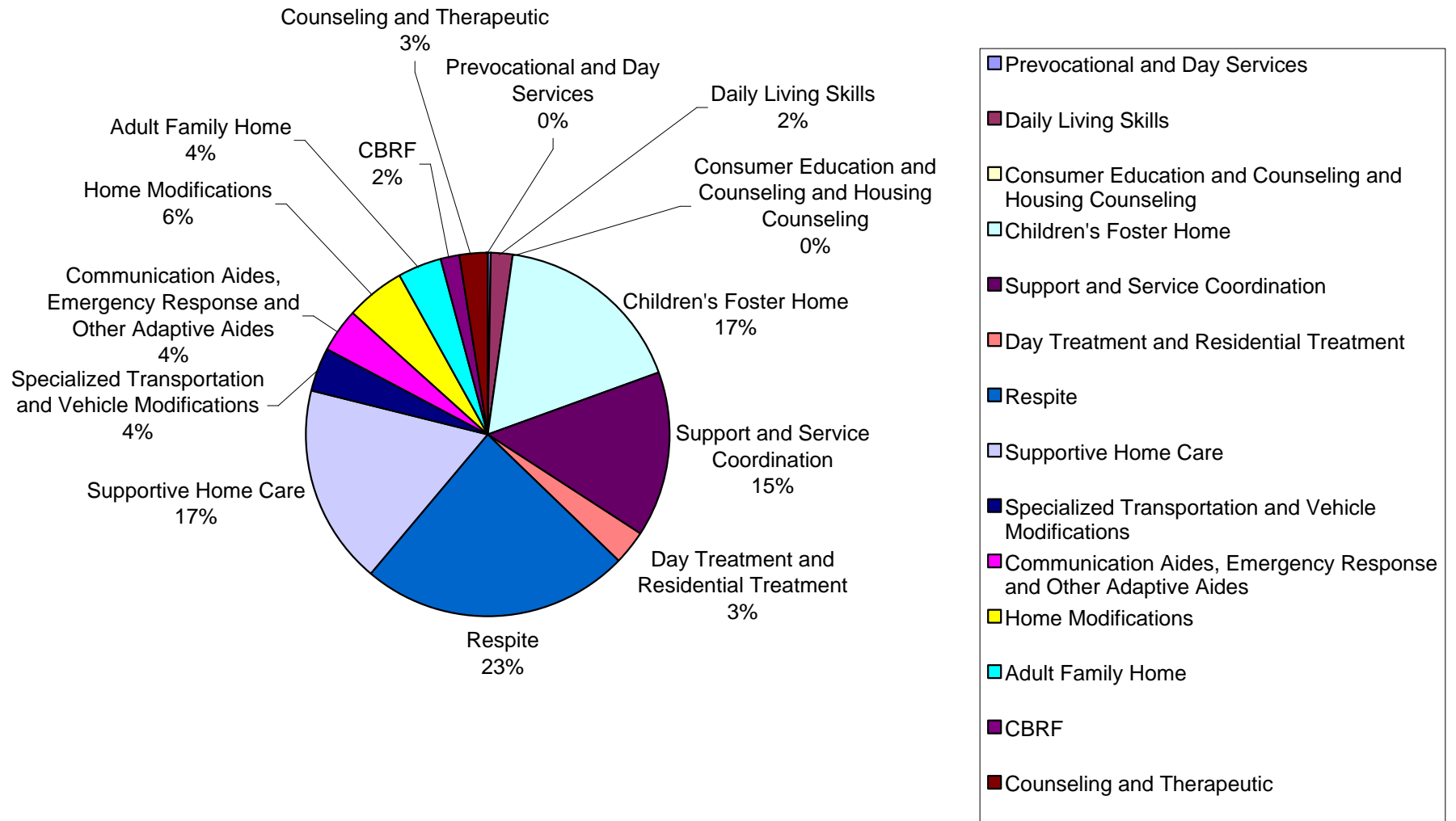
The data was pulled for all children through the 18th year of age, from this group, only children who received services all twelve months (from January 1, 2003 – December 31, 2003) were included in the sample. Children who had any months without service, who started later in the year, or who exited the program before the close of the year were excluded because this would have had the affect of lowering the daily and annual costs for a child. Costs for services that are not permitted under the Children's Waivers, specifically: Prevocational Services, Adult Family Home, and CBRF were included, again with a desire to assure that costs are not under estimated. Finally, several service categories for lower use services, less than 2% of all costs, were combined. For example, Communication Aides, Emergency Response and Other Adaptive Aides were reported in a single category.

The data is reported in two separate groupings. All children who had a client characteristic of Developmental Disability – Autism were included in one group. Children with other developmental disabilities such as cerebral palsy, epilepsy, and Prader Willi were included in the other group. There were a total of 806 children who met the criteria noted above, 161 children with autism and 645 children with other developmental disabilities.

Autism Percent



Non-Autism Percent



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Autism	12,012	74,527	1597	304,398	285106	54853	397184	401720	12,181	39573	13707	41046	40220	78914	1,757,038	\$30.09
Non-Autism	14,993	135,538	2609	1247544	1058953	213973	1716871	1278005	289086	264522	396177	268556	120139	182324	7,189,290	\$30.57

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Autism Percent	0.68%	4.24%	0.09%	17.32%	16.23%	3.12%	22.61%	22.86%	0.69%	2.25%	0.78%	2.34%	2.29%	4.49%	100%
Non-Autism Percent	0.21%	1.89%	0.04%	17.35%	14.73%	2.98%	23.88%	17.78%	4.02%	3.68%	5.51%	3.74%	1.67%	2.54%	100%